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SUBJ: MILITARY TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR ALGERIA

1. MARCH 22 MR. MEROUK SABRY OF COMPANY CALLED SAREL, 3, RUE DIDOUCHE MOURAD, ALGIERS, PHONE 63-55-53, TELEX 52769, VISITED COMATT AND EXPRESSED INTEREST IN US MILITARY TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

2. DESCRIBING SELF AS EX ALGERIAN ARMY OFFICER, HE SAID HE IS PURCHASING US TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR MINISTRY OF DEFENSE; SAID VALUE IN EXCESS OF ONE BILLION OLD FRANCS (OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS). SPECIFIC INTERESTS INCLUDE FOLLOWING US-MADE RADIOS: AN/PRC-77, AN/PRC-78, AN/PRC-70, AN/VRC-12 (ALL MADE BY CINCINNATI ELECTRONICS CORP., 2630 GLANDALE-MILFORD ROAD, CINCINNATI, OH 45241, PHONE (513) 563 600), AN/GRC-106 AND AN/GRC-106A. HE HAD WITH HIM US ARMY TECH MANUALS TM 11-5820-667-12 COVERING THE AN/PRC-77 AND TM 11-5820-520-12 COVERING THE AN/GRC-106 AND 106A, AS WELL AS OCT. 1973 ISSUE OF "REVUE INTERNATIONALE DE DEFENSE" PUBLISHED AT GENEVA, CARRYING ADVERTISEMENT BY CINCINNATI ELECTRONICS FOR ITS EQUIPMENT LISTED ABOVE.

3. SABRY SAID HE UNDERSTOOD US WOULD NOT RPT NOT LICENSE SUCH EQUIPMENT FOR EXPORT TO ALGERIA, YET HE HAD BOUGHT FOR MINDEF IDENTICAL US-MADE EQUIPMENT IN SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

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SPECIFICALLY, HE SHOWED EMBOFF PRO-FORMA INVOICE FOR AN/PRC-77 GY

DATED 6/13/73 FROM TELEMAT ELECTRONIC GMBH, HEIDENMANNSTR. 29
(P.O. BOX 94), 8 MUNICH 45, GERMANY. HE REQUESTED USINT TO
INQUIRE WHETHER EXPORT LICENSES WOULD BE GRANTED FOR THIS
EQUIPMENT FROM US TO ALGERIA. AN ASSOCIATE TELEPHONED
MR. BUSSE, EXPORT MANAGER OF CINCINNATI ELECTRONICS
(SABRY SPEAKS INSUFFICIENT ENGLISH TO
MAKE THE CALL HIMSELF) SOME TEN DAYS BEFORE AND WAS TOLD LICENSE
WOULD PROBABLY NOT RPT NOT BE ISSUED.

4. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION IN USINT FILES REGARDING SABRY OR
SAREL. ADDRESS GIVEN IS DOWNTOWN ALGIERS. TELEX LISTED UNDER
"AGENCE ALGERIENNE POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT DES ECHANGES
COMMERCIAUX," CABLE ADDRESS "COTADEC," AT SAME ADDRESS, IN WHICH
WE ALSO HAVE NO FILES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT TELEXES
CHRONICALLY SHORT IN ALGERIA AND NEIGHBORS WITH TELEXES
OFTEN ACCOMMODATE UNRELATED FIRMS.

5. SABRY MADE POSITIVE IMPRESSION UPON EMBOFF IN WHAT SEEMED
STRAIGHTFORWARD INQUIRY.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: INFORM USINT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SABRY
WHETHER REQUESTED EQUIPMENT CAN BE LICENSED FOR EXPORT TO ALGERIA.
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